

Newsletter of the Utah State Library for the Blind and Disabled

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Braille Calendars for 2008 Now Available

Once again the library is providing Braille calendars, compliments of the American Action Fund for Blind Children and Adults. To request one, please check the Reader Response Sheet (page 5 of this newsletter). You may also telephone the library or email the library (blind@utah.gov) to request this item.

Digital Talking Books

Patrons have been asking about the Library of Congress's Digital Talking Book (DTB) players and cartridges, as well as the availability of DTB download via the internet.

A special appropriation of over 19 million dollars is currently being sought to begin the transition from cassettes to the new DTBs. Congressional Appropriations Committees are recommending only 12.5 million at this time.

Even with full funding, the transition is expected to be phased in over a four year period. It may take this long for all patrons who want a DTB machine to get one. These

machines will use a cartridge with a digital audio file of a book that the library will circulate through the mail as it does now with cassette books. Meanwhile cassette books and machines will still be available.

Veterans will have preference to get the first DTB machines, hopefully sometime in 2008. The priority of other patrons to receive a machine is still being discussed by the library.

The availability of downloadable Library of Congress produced digital audio books has been limited to a pilot test group for the last year. Recently this site has been opened to active patrons of the library who have acquired their own DTB player.

The Victor Reader Stream is the first such player and costs about \$329. This machine can be purchased from Human Ware http://www.humanware.com/ en-usa/home Toll-free: 800-722-3393 or locally through Axis Access Technology Local: (801) 967-5655 Toll free: (866) 824-7885 email: karl@axistech.net

This machine will do you no good unless you have the following:

- 1. A computer connected to the internet for downloading books
- 2. High-speed internet service such as DSL or cable
- 3. An active email address

Human Ware maintains a helpful information page at www.accessible-devices.com/vrsinfo.html

If you are interested in downloadable books, you may access an online application page at https://www.nlstalkingbooks.org/ dtb

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Utah State Library Celebrates 50 Years

An open house gala, hosted by Governor Jon M. Huntsman, Jr. and First Lady Mary Kaye Huntsman, was held on Thursday, September 13, 2007 at the Governor's Mansion. Why the Governor's Mansion? Because one of the first offices of the first State Librarian was a third floor bedroom of the mansion, and the State Library's first permanent location was in a renovated Coach House on the grounds of the mansion.

Emma Lou Davis, the widow of Utah's first State Librarian, represented her husband Russell Davis, who started and managed the library from 1957-1987. Also present were Amy Owen, State Librarian from 1987-2004, and current State Librarian, Donna Jones Morris.

Here are some highlights of Utah State Library history:

1956 – President Eisenhower signs the Library Services Act to provide federal funding for

rural libraries to match state funds administered through a State Library agency. 1957 – The legislature establishes the State Library, and Governor George D. Clyde appoints a library commission, which hires Russell Davis. Utah is the last state to establish a state library. From its first annual budget of \$117,000, the library's first bookmobile is purchased. 1958 – the library is temporarily housed at the State Fairgrounds. 1961 – the library assumes responsibility from the Salt Lake City Public Library for service to blind readers in Utah and Wyoming at 1488 S. State. 1967 - the library moves from the Coach House to its longtime location in a leased facility at 2150 S 300 W. The library for the blind and physically handicapped also moves into this building 1970 - the library begins contracting for Braille service to other Western states. 1975 The Multistate Center for the West is established by the Library of Congress to provide material support and interlibrary loan services to other libraries for the blind.

1976 – the library goes on air with its radio reading service for the blind and disabled.

1976 – Bicentennial Bookmobile begins 17 month tour of Utah.

1977 – the library is operating 20 bookmobiles under contract with 25 of Utah's 29 counties, and annual circulation of books is 1.8 million.

1995 – the library creates PIONEER (Utah's Online Library).

1995 – the Utah Library Network Initiative receives national award.

1998 – the library moves to a building constructed specifically for it by the state at 250 N 1950 W.

2007 – the library contracts with 21 states for Braille service.

"You are being interviewed on your 100th birthday. What would you really like to be able to tell that reporter about your life? Now flip back to today and start fresh."

-Unknown

Novels about Spies and Espionage

Listed beginning on page 7 are novels about spies and espionage. This completes the list begun in the last issue of the See Note. A more extensive list, including more novels, nonfiction, and books for children and young adults, may be requested by contacting the library. Books may be ordered by listing book numbers desired on the Reader Response Sheet, by email (blind@utah.gov), online at blindlibrary.utah.gov, or by telephoning the library. BR is braille. RC is recorded cassette. LP is large print. c indicates cassettes. v is volumes of braille. sl is strong language. vi is violence. sx is sex.

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Reader Response Sheet

Patron Number	
Name	
Address	
Check Those Items You Would Like to Rec	eive
Braille Calendar for 2008 (Braille)	
Please list book numbers desired from the Novels al and Espionage booklist or any other books or items	•

Please return this sheet to the library by folding it so that the library's address is on the outside. No postage is necessary. If you have questions or wish to order by phone, please call Local: (801) 715 - 6789 Utah Toll free: (800) 662 - 5540

TDD: (801) 715- 6721 Out of State Toll free: (800) 453 - 4293 or email the library at blind@utah.gov

Please fill in your PATRON NUMBER, name and address at the top of this sheet. Your patron number appears above your name on the address label of this newsletter. Fold, seal, and return to the library. THANK YOU.

Free Matter for the Blind or Disabled

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Novels about Spies and Espionage

MacInnes, Helen.

Double Image. 1977.

RC 15289 (3c)

Agent in Place. 1976.

LP 02161

BR 03210 (3v)

Ride a Pale Horse. 1984.

RC 21207 (2c) LP 04957

BR 06012 (4v)

North from Rome. 1958.

RC 09543 (2c) LP 01424

Salzburg Connection. 1968.

RC 09127 (6c) LP 07857

BR 00868 (5v)

MacLean, Alistair.

Where Eagles Dare. 1967.

LP 00855 BR 00590 (3v)

Ice Station Zebra. 1984.

RC 21366 (2c) LP 02058

MacLeish, Roderick.

Crossing at Ivalo. 1992. sx vi

RC 34443 (2c)

Mallinson, Allan.

Honorable Company: a Novel

of India before the Raj. 2004.

RC 55644 (3c)

Markstein, George.

Chance Awakening. 1977.

RC 13217 (2c) LP 002941

Marsh, Ngaio.

Died in the Wool. 1979.

LP 11362 RC 13537 (1c)

BR 04056 (3v)

Mather, Berkely.

With Extreme Prejudice.

1977. sl RC 10696 (2c)

Maugham, W. Somerset.

Ashenden; or the British Agent.

2003. RC 55379 (2c)

Collected Short Stories: All

about Agent Ashenden. 1987.

RC 25614 (2c)

McCammon, Robert R.

The Wolf's Hour. 1998. sl sx vi

RC 44469 (5c)

McCarry, Charles.

Last Supper: a Paul

Christopher novel. 1989. sl sx

RC 29335 (3c)

McCutchan, Philip.

Kemp Series: sl

Convoy South. 1988.

RC 29424 (2c) LP 08509

Convoy East. 1989.

RC 31218 (2c) LP 08349

Convoy of Fear. 1990.

RC 32688 (2c) LP 08510

Convoy Homeward. 1993.

RC 36229 (2c)

McEwan, lan.

The Innocent. 1992. sl sx vi RC 34179 (2c) LP 06529 Meade, Glenn.

Brandenberg. 2001. sl vi

RC 49780 (3c)

Michaels, David.

Splinter Cell Adventures:

sl sx vi

Splinter Cell. 2004.

RC 59395 (2c)

Operation Barracuda. 2005.

RC 61436 (2c)

Checkmate. 2006.

RC 64124 (2c)

Monfredo, Miriam Grace.

Sisters of Cain. 2003.

RC 54568 (3c)

Brothers of Cain. 2003.

RC 54655 (2c)

Children of Cain. 2004.

RC 56470 (2c)

Morrell, David.

Brotherhood of the Rose. 1984.

sl sx RC 21031 (3c)

Moss, Robert.

Death Beam. 1982. sl sx vi

RC 18021 (3c)

Carnival of Spies. 1988. sl sx

RC 26394 (4c)

Moscow Rules. 1985.

LP 04989 BR 06089 (4v)

RC 21509 (3c)

Nebenzal, Harold.

Café Berlin. 1995. sl sx vi

RC 38447 (2c)

Nolan, Frederick.

Red Center. 1987.

RC 25674 (2c)

O'Neill, Frank.

Secret Country. sl sx

RC 27683 (3c)

Oppenheim, E. Philips.

Great Impersonation. 1996.

RC 41966 (2c)

Pearson, Ryne.

October's Ghost. 1996. sl vi

RC 41547 (3c)

Pearson, William.

Chessplayer. 1985. sl sx

RC 22221 (3c)

Pentecost, Hugh.

Nightmare Time. 1986.

BR 06579 (2v)

Perry, Anne.

No Graves as Yet. 2003.

RC 57506 (3c) LP 15505

BR 15128 (3v)

Perry, Ritchie.

Fool's Mate. 1982.

RC 18174 (2c)

Hard Man to Kill. 1975.

RC 07903 (3c)

Price, Anthony.

Sion Crossing, 1987. sl

RC 24983 (2c)

Quayle, Marilyn T.

Embrace the Serpent. 1992.

RC 34814 (2c)

Randall, John D.

Jihad Ultimatum. 1989. sl sx RC 29224 (3c)

Reich, Christoper.

Devil's Banker. 2003. sl sx vi RC 57008 (3c) LP 15305

Rathbone, Julian.

Spy of the Old School. 1984. sl sx RC 20420 (2c)

Reiss, Bob.

Last Spy. 1993. sl sx vi RC 38223 (3c) LP 08146

Robb, Candace.

Trust Betrayed: First Chapter of Margaret Kerr of Perth. 2003. LP 13447 BR 14073 (2v)

Safire, William.

Sleeper Spy. 1997.

RC 42851 (3c)

Sheldon, Sidney.

Doomsday Conspiracy. 1992. sl sx RC 34012 (2c)

Silbert, Leslie.

Intelligencer. 2004.

RC 58144 (3c)

Silva, Daniel.

Gabriel Allon Series: sl vi Kill Artist. 2002. RC 52432 (2c) English Assassin. 2002.

RC 53779 (2c) LP 14082

Confessor. 2003.

RC 55724 (2c) LP 15181

Death in Vienna. 2004.

RC 57796 (2c) LP 16099

Prince of Fire. 2005.

RC 59822 (2c) LP 16890

Messenger. 2006.

RC 63176 (2c) LP 18234

Unlikely Spy. 1996. sl sx

RC 44315 (4c) LP 10410

Skye, Christina.

Navy SEAL Series: sl sx

My Spy. 2002.

RC 61884 (2c)

Hot Pursuit. 2003.

RC 62124 (3c) LP 15200

Sutherland, Grant.

Consignment. 2003. sl vi

RC 58331 (3c)

Terman, Douglas.

Enemy Territory. 1990. sl vi RC 31206 (3c)

Thomas, Craig.

Winter Hawk. 1987. sl

RC 26001 (4c) LP 05625

Firefox. 1977. sl vi

RC 23858 (2c) LP 02629

Firefox Down! 1986. sl vi

RC 23859 (3c)

Hooded Crow. 1992 sl sx vi

RC 34016 (3c)

Last Raven. 1994. sl vi

RC 36870 (4c) LP 06748

Playing with Cobras. 1993. sl

vi RC 37457 (3c) LP 08244

Wildcat. 1989. sl

RC 29567 (3c)

Thomas, Ross. Mordida Man. 1982. sl BR 04938 (3v) Out on the Rim. 1987. sl RC 26635 (2c) LP 05658 Ah, Treachery. 1994. RC 40565 (2c) LP 09001 Eighth Dwarf. 1979. sl RC 13758 (2c) Fools in Town Are on Our Side. 2003. sl sx vi RC 59357 (3c) Trenhaile, John. Young Series: Mah-Jongg Spies. 1987. sl RC 25137 (3c) Gates of the Exquisite View. 1989. sl sx vi RC 27568 (3c) The Man Called Kyril. 1984. sl sx RC 20823 (2c) Nocturne for the General. 1986. sl RC 23886 (2c) View From the Square. 1985. sl RC 21471 (2c) Tucker, John B. Man Who Looked Like Howard Cosell. 1990. sl RC 29810 (2c) Uris, Leon. Topaz. 1978. sl RC 11132 (2c) Waller, Leslie. Embassy. 1988. sx

RC 26636 (3c)

Weber, Joe. DEFCON One. 1991. sl RC 32002 (2c) Targets of Opportunity. 1994. sl vi RC 37770 (3c) Westlake, Donald E. Money for Nothing. 2004. vi RC 56096 (2c) BR 14747 (2v) Whitman, John. Geneva Accord. 1986. sl sx RC 23513 (2c) Willig, Lauren. Napoleonic Spy Series: sx Secret History of the Pink Carnation, 2005. RC 60668 (3c) Masque of the Black Tulip. 2006. RC 61532 (3c) Wilson, Robert. Company of Strangers. 2002. sl sx vi RC 53474 (4c) Wise, David. Children's Game. 1984. sl sx RC 20782 (2c) Spectrum. 1981. sx RC 15837 (3c) Wolstencroft, David. Contact Zero. 2005. LP 17804 Woods, Stuart. Short Forever. 2002. sl sx vi RC 54172 (2c) LP 14163 Deep Lie. 1986. sl sx RC 24872 (2c) LP 13276

Volunteer Corner

Just a few reminders:

As the holiday seasons approach, you might find yourself needing to take some time off to be with your family and friends. Please contact James Shulfer, Volunteer Coordinator, at 715-6791 as soon as you can so that he can find a substitute to cover your assignment for that day.

Also, if you know anyone that would like to volunteer for the Utah State Library for the Blind please pass their names on to James Shulfer. We have many different opportunities to serve in tape inspection, radio reading, and book recording. Thank you for all your help.

Calendar

Monday, November 12th – Veterans Day
Thursday, November 22nd – Thanksgiving
Tuesday, December 25th – Christmas
Tuesday, January 1st – New Year's Day

ATTITUDE by Charles Swindoll

The longer I live, the more I realize the impact of attitude on life. Attitude, to me, is more important than facts. It is more important than the past, than education, than money, than circumstances, than failures, than successes, than what other people think or say or do. It is more important than appearance, giftedness or skill...

The remarkable thing is we have a choice every day regarding the attitude we will embrace for that day...

We cannot change the fact that people will act in a certain way. We cannot change the inevitable.

The only thing we can do is play on the one string we have, and that is our attitude...

I am convinced that life is 10 percent what happens to me and 90 percent how I react to it.

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